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CELEBRATING FAMILIES AND DECLARING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2009,
AS "NEW MEXICO FAMILY AND PARENT INVOLVEMENT DAY" AT THE
SENATE.

WHEREAS, families and parents are the first teachers of
young children, and they serve as support for their children's
future success; and

WHEREAS, according to a study conducted by the Harvard
family research project, parental involvement is associated
with higher student achievement outcomes; and

WHEREAS, parents advocate for their children's learning
and health by caring for them and nurturing them so as to build
upon their innate strengths; and

WHEREAS, the success of New Mexico's children depends upon
schools, health care providers, families and communities

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1 working together; and

2 WHEREAS, respect for the language, culture, individuality
3 and personal circumstances of families is vital in engaging
4 families as valued partners in efforts to promote school
5 success for children; and

6 WHEREAS, acknowledging the strengths, capabilities,
7 contributions and interests of all families and parents is
8 critical to creating family-friendly environments in which
9 children can grow and thrive;

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
11 OF NEW MEXICO that it celebrate New Mexico families and declare
12 Thursday, February 12, 2009, as "New Mexico Family and Parent
13 Involvement Day" at the senate.